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Joy M. Zakarian, M.P.H.
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Dear Mr. Jaffe:

I am writing to support the petition to ban the forced molting of layer hens (docket 98P-0203/CP). Forced molting is an unusually cruel and inhumane practice and has been banned in Great Britain for over a decade for this reason.

Please enact this minimal protection for the millions of hens who suffer and starve from forced molting.

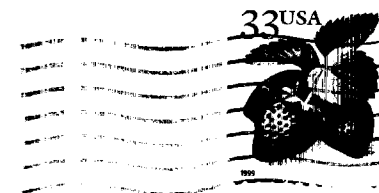
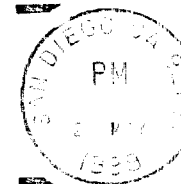
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joy Zakarian".

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